



LIVER SPIN





I. Young Oliver Scene 1

(In a workhouse)

Narrator:

In a town in England, about 200 years ago, a young woman had a baby at a workhouse.

Young Woman:

(She holds out a small sack of gold coins, and then she dies.)

This is for my baby, Oliver.

Doctor:

She's dead, poor girl. Where is her husband?

Old Woman:

I don't know... Poor baby, you're all alone now.

(The Doctor exits.)

Gold! These are all MINE now!



Scene 2

Narrator:

So, little Oliver grows up in a place for orphan children.

(The orphan boys are sitting at tables in

the workhouse, eating)

Orphan #1:

We're hungry!

Orphan #2:

Go on, Oliver, ask for more.

(Oliver walks to the chef with his bowl.)

Oliver:

Please sir, I want some more.

Chef:

MOOOOOORE?! You want moooooore?
Mr. Bumble, sir – come here!



(Mr. Bumble enters and grabs Oliver and takes him to be punished.)

Mr. Bumble:

You want more soup, eh? You're a bad boy! Come with me!



(Oliver is now left alone on stage.)

Oliver:

I'm hungry and cold. I'm so unhappy here. Maybe I should go to London...

Narrator:

Oliver decides to run away from the workhouse.



II. Fagin

Scene 3

Narrator:

A week later, Oliver arrives in London. He's tired and hungry.

(Oliver is sitting against a lamp post in the street. A young boy, Jack, approaches him.)

Jack:

Hello, I'm Jack. Are you hungry?

Oliver:

Yes, I am... and my name's Oliver.

Scene 4

Narrator:

Jack takes Oliver to where he lives.

Jack:

Mr. Fagin, this is my friend, Oliver Spin.

Fagin:

Come in, Oliver! Sit down, my dear!

(Oliver and Jack enter and sit down.)

Fagin:

Let's play a game – try to take my handkerchief...

Scene 5

(Jack, Oliver, and another boy, Charlie, are walking down the street, and they see an old man with a handkerchief in his back pocket.)

Narrator:

The next day, Oliver goes out with two of the boys.

Jack:

Oliver, stay there and watch. Come on, Charlie!

(Jack and Charlie sneak up and steal the man's handkerchief and quickly run away.)



Wait!

Man 3:

Stop, you young thief!

(Man 3 hits Oliver with a stick and he falls to the ground.)

Man 2:

This boy isn't the thief. The other two boys took your handkerchief.

Old man:

Poor boy. Let's take him to my house.



III. Bill Sikes

Scene 6

Narrator:

Fagin gets very angry when Oliver doesn't return.

(Fagin grabs Jack by the coat)

Fagin:

Where is Oliver?

Jack:

I don't know! Let me go!

(Bill Sikes enters from behind)

Bill Sikes:

What's all this noise?

Jack and Charley:

Bill Sikes!!

Narrator:

Fagin and his friends make a



plan...

Fagin:
Bill, you can help me
find Oliver.

Bill Sikes:
All right...



(Oliver begins to exit the house.)

Oliver:
Goodbye, Mr. Brownlow! See
you in half an hour!

Narrator:
But Bill Sikes knows where Oliver is. He's waiting for Oliver outside the house.

(Bill Sikes grabs Oliver and takes him away. A woman is walking by.)

Oliver:
No! Help! Let me go!

Nancy:
Please, Oliver. Do what Bill says. He's a dangerous man.



IV. The Burglary

Scene 8

Narrator:
Bill Sikes takes Oliver back to Fagin

Fagin:
All right, Bill – but don't hurt him.

Bill Sikes:
He can do a job for me.

Narrator:
Bill takes Oliver to a village outside London.

(Bill points to a house.)

Scene 7

Narrator:
Oliver is now in the kind gentleman's house.

(Oliver is lying in a bed. He's just waken up.

Oliver:
Where am I? Who are you?

Housekeeper:
Sshhh, my dear. You're in Mr. Brownlow's house. You're not well.

(Oliver gets out of bed and stretches. Mr. Brownlow enters.)

Mr. Brownlow:
How are you now, Oliver?

Oliver:
I am well now, sir. What can I do to thank you?

(Mr. Brownlow hands Oliver two books and some money.)

Mr. Brownlow:
Can you take these books and this money to the bookshop?

Oliver:
Oh, yes – of course!





Bill:
That's the house.

(Bill hands Oliver a metal bar and points to a small window.)

Bill:
Get in here and open the door for me.

Oliver:
Oh, please – I don't want to be a thief!

Bill:
Do what I say, or you'll be sorry!

(Oliver climbs through the window.)

Narrator:
But somebody in the house hears the noise.

Man who lives in the house:
A thief!

(It is dark – the man throws an object at Oliver.)

Oliver:
Owww!

(He falls.)

Narrator:
Bill leaves Oliver behind and runs away.

(The man who lives in the house walks up to Oliver, feels sorry for him and takes him to a bed.)

Man who lives in the house:
It's a thief, Miss Maylie – he's hurt.

(Miss Maylie enters.)

Miss Maylie:
Hurt? Then we must call a doctor.

(A doctor enters.)

Narrator:
Miss Rose Maylie is a kind young lady. She is an orphan too and lives with her aunt. They want to help Oliver.

Miss Maylie:
He's just a boy – and he's badly hurt! We must help him, Doctor.



IV. Monks

Scene 9

(Fagin's house.)

Narrator:
While Oliver is in Rose's house, Nancy tells Fagin the news...

Nancy:
Bill's safe – but he left Oliver behind.

Fagin:
I must tell Monks...



(Fagin picks up the phone and calls Monks)

Narrator:
Fagin calls a man called Monks.
Monks knows Oliver.

Fagin:
(Speaking into the phone.)
...and Oliver may even be dead, Monks!

Monks:
(Speaking into the phone.)
No! I hate the boy, but I don't want him dead!
I want him to be a thief... in prison for life. That's why I pay you, Fagin!

Scene 10

(Oliver is silently talking to Rose and her aunt.)

Narrator:
When Oliver is well again, he tells Rose and her aunt the story of his life.

Rose:
You poor boy! But don't worry, you can live with us now.

(Oliver smiles.)

Narrator:
One day, in the village, Monks is there and sees Oliver.

Monks:
That's him – my father's second son!

Narrator:
A few days later, while Oliver is reading...

(Oliver sees Monks and Fagin stick their heads out through the window.)

Oliver:
Fagin!! Oh no! HELP!

(Rose comes running.)

Rose:
What is it, Oliver?

Oliver:
Fagin...at the window...and another man...

Rose:
It's all right, dear – there's no one there.



VI. Secrets

Scene 12

Narrator:
Nancy goes to Fagin's and hears him talking to Monks. Oliver and Rose are staying at a hotel in London, and Fagin wants Bill Sikes to get Oliver and bring him back.

Narrator:
So, Nancy goes to the hotel and tells Rose what she knows about Oliver's half brother, Monks.

(In the hotel in London.)

Rose:
He sounds dangerous! What



can I do?

Nancy:
Find someone to help you. Wait on London Bridge on Sunday night at midnight. I can tell you where Monks is. Now I must go.

(Nancy exits.)

Narrator:
Rose is very worried about Oliver. She doesn't know what to do. But the next day...

Oliver:
Rose, look! I found Mr

Scene 11

Narrator:
In summer, they go to a house in the country.

(Oliver and Rose are holding hands, walking together around the country house.)

Narrator:
Oliver goes for walks with Rose, and she teaches him to read and write.

(Now in the village.)

Brownlow's address in London!
Can I go and see him? Please?

Rose:
Of course, dear!

Scene 13

(In Mr. Brownlow's house.)

Narrator:
So, they go to Mr. Brownlow.

Rose:
You don't know me, Mr. Brownlow... but you can help a boy you do know.

Mr. Brownlow:
A boy? What boy?

(Oliver enters and hugs Mr. Brownlow.)

Mr. Brownlow:
Oliver!

Oliver:
Mr. Brownlow! I'm so happy to see you again!



VII. Nancy

Scene 14

(London Bridge, it is dark. Fagin and Charley are standing together.)

Narrator:
At 11 o'clock on Sunday night, Fagin sees Nancy, walking away from them.

Fagin:
Where is Nancy going? Follow her, Charley!

(Rose and Mr. Brownlow are standing away from Fagin and Charley, and they do not see each other at first.)

Mr. Brownlow:
Rose, it's midnight now. Where's Nancy?

Rose:
Look, Mr. Brownlow – there she is!

(They all come together.)

Nancy:
(Hands them a piece of paper.)
Monks is at this address – but I can't help you find Fagin or Bill. Bill is a bad man, but I love him.

Mr. Brownlow:
All right. What does Monks look like?

Nancy:
He's tall, he's got dark hair, and a red mark here.
(She points to a spot on her cheek.)

Mr. Brownlow:

I know a man just like that, but his name isn't Monks.

Scene 15

Narrator:
Things are not going well for Fagin and his boys. The next morning...

(Fagin, Bill Sikes, and Charley are speaking.)

Fagin:
Bill, I'm scared! Jack's in prison – and Bill...Nancy is a spy. Tell him, Charley.

Narrator:
When Bill Sikes hears about Nancy's secret meeting, he is very angry.

Bill Sikes:
What? I'll kill her!

(Bill goes and finds Nancy.)

Bill Sikes:
You betrayed me! You talked to Brownlow about me!

(Bill raises a metal bar to Nancy.)

Nancy:
Bill! Listen to me! No!

(Bill kills Nancy.)

Scene 16

Narrator:

Three days later...

(Bill is extremely nervous and upset, and hearing voices in his head.)

Bill Sikes:
I don't know where to hide...
and I can't forget her eyes!



Narrator:
Mr. Brownlow reads about
Nancy's death in the newspa-
pers.

Mr. Brownlow:
Rose, Nancy's dead. Sikes ki-
lled her. Fagin's in prison, and
the police know where Sikes
is.

Rose:
Poor girl!



VIII. The End

father was my best friend! He
was in love with a girl named
Agnes. She was Oliver's mo-
ther. Oliver is your half bro-
ther, and you want him in pri-
son so you can get his half of
your father's money.

Monks:
So, what do you want me to
do?

Mr. Brownlow:
Sign this paper to give Oliver
his half of the money, or you
are going to prison.



Scene 17

(Monks signs it.)

Narrator:
The police are now after Sikes
Monks. He slips and falls out
the window while trying to es-
cape being caught.

Bill Sikes:
Nancy's eyes! They're looking
at me! AHHHHH!

Narrator:
Bill dies, and Mr. Brownlow's
friends bring Monks to him.

Mr Brownlow's friend:
Here's Monks.

Mr. Brownlow:
Good... but your real name is
Edward Leeford, not Monks.
Yes, I know all about you. Your

Monks:
There. Now, can I go?

Mr. Brownlow:
Wait, what else do you know
about Oliver's family?

Monks:
Agnes was Rose's older sister.

Rose:
My sister?

Oliver:
Rose, you're my aunt!

Narrator:
Three months later, Oliver has
a family that loves him. He is
happy at last!

(Mr. Brownlow is holding a pie-
ce of paper.)

Mr. Brownlow:
Look, Oliver, you're my son
now!

Oliver:
Mr. Brownlow! Thank you!



THE END

THE CAST: 1ESO B PUPILS

1. Georgina Reid----- Narrator 1
2. Manuel Barea Gallego ----- Narrator 2
3. Pablo Franco Magdaleno----- Oliver
4. Raul Sánchez Martínez----- Fagin
5. Pedro Fernández Martínez----- Mr Brownlow
6. M^a del Carmen García Sola----- Bill Sikes
7. Anselmo López Sánchez-Ortiz----- Jack
8. María García Navarro----- Nancy
9. Ángela Martínez Aguilera ----- Rose
10. Miguel Santos Martínez----- Monks
11. Francisco Hernández Sánchez----- Charlie
12. Álvaro Montero García ----- Doctor
13. Syra M^a García López ----- Miss Maylie
14. Elena Mirón Alcalá ----- Housekeeper 1
15. Ana Hernández García ----- Housekeeper 2
16. Gema Martínez Sánchez ----- Young Woman (Oliver´s mother)
17. Marina Jáimez Rubio ----- Old Woman
18. Lidia Marín Martínez ----- Chef
19. Jose Fco López Bastidas----- Mr Bumble
20. Adrián Dengra Román ----- Man 1
21. Víctor Rodríguez Polaino ----- Man 2
22. Alejandro Carrión García----- Man 3
23. M^a Isabel Castillo García ----- Orphan 1
24. María Martínez Manzano ----- Orphan 2
25. Esmeralda Cañadas Vidal ----- Monk´s friend
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